

to the Department of the Interior to purchase certain land specified in the bill (\$2 million).

Pay-As-You-Go Considerations: None.
Intergovernmental and Private-Sector Impact
S. 2797 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA. The bill would require matching funds from the State of Florida equal to half the cost of the authorized projects, including costs to operate and maintain those projects. Any such expenditures by the State would be voluntary.

Estimate Prepared by: Federal Costs: Rachel Applebaum (226-3220); Impact on the Private Sector: Sarah Sitarek (226-2940).

Estimate Approved by: Robert A. Sunshine, Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.

SUBMITTING CHANGES TO THE BUDGETARY AGGREGATES AND APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ALLOCATION

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, section 206(b) of H. Con. Res. 290 (the FY2001 Budget Resolution) requires the Chairman of the Senate Budget Committee to adjust the allocation for the Appropriations Committee and the ap-

propriate budgetary aggregates when the requirements of that section are met. Sec. 5108 of P.L. 106-246, the 2001 Military Construction Appropriations bill, and Sec. 8150 of P.L. 106-259, the 2001 Department of Defense Appropriations bill, satisfy the requirements of section 206(b) of H. Con. Res. 290.

I hereby submit revisions to the 2001 Senate Appropriations Committee allocations, pursuant to section 302 of the Congressional Budget Act, in the following amounts:

| | Budget authority | Outlays |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Current Allocation: | | |
| General purpose discretionary | \$541,738,000,000 | \$554,360,000,000 |
| Highways | | 26,920,000,000 |
| Mass transit | | 4,639,000,000 |
| Mandatory | 327,787,000,000 | 310,215,000,000 |
| Total | 869,525,000,000 | 896,134,000,000 |
| Adjustments: | | |
| General purpose discretionary | +58,558,000,000 | +38,413,000,000 |
| Highways | | |
| Mass transit | | |
| Mandatory | | |
| Total | +58,558,000,000 | +38,413,000,000 |
| Revised Allocation: | | |
| General purpose discretionary | 600,296,000,000 | 592,773,000,000 |
| Highways | | 26,920,000,000 |
| Mass transit | | 4,639,000,000 |
| Mandatory | 327,787,000,000 | 310,215,000,000 |
| Total | 928,083,000,000 | 934,547,000,000 |

I hereby submit revisions to the 2001 budget aggregates, pursuant to section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act, in the following amounts:

| | Budget authority | Outlays | Surplus |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Current Allocation: | | | |
| Budget Resolution | \$1,467,843,000,000 | \$1,453,081,000,000 | \$50,119,000,000 |
| Adjustments: | | | |
| Sec. 206(b) of H. Con. Res. 290 adjustment | +\$58,558,000,000 | +\$38,413,000,000 | -\$38,413,000,000 |
| Revised Allocation: | | | |
| Budget Resolution | \$1,526,401,000,000 | \$1,491,494,000,000 | \$11,706,000,000 |

THE DESIGNATION OF WILSON CREEK IN NORTH CAROLINA AS A WILD, SCENIC, AND RECREATIONAL RIVER

Mr. EDWARDS. Mr. President, I rise today to say how pleased I am that the President recently signed into law H.R. 1749, legislation that designates Wilson Creek in North Carolina as a wild and scenic river. This legislation passed the House of Representatives without opposition, and I was proud to support it here in the Senate and to see it pass just prior to the August recess.

The designation of Wilson Creek as a wild and scenic river is critically important to the local community. It will protect Wilson Creek for use by those who seek a relaxing hike in the woods or an exciting rafting experience. The scenic and recreational areas along Wilson Creek are also some of the most beautiful and ecologically valuable countryside in all of North Carolina. In a time when all of us have so much going on in our lives, Wilson Creek will provide us with a place to relax and enjoy a bit of the natural world.

Wilson Creek is truly a national treasure. It possesses remarkable scenic and recreational value and is home to a wide variety of plant and animal species. It is designated as an Outstanding Resource Water, indicating its exceptional recreational and ecological significance and high level of water quality. It winds its way through rare geologic rock formations that are

also quite beautiful. The pools and rapids along Wilson Creek provide opportunities for canoe and kayak enthusiasts to test their skills or take a relaxing paddle. For years, visitors have camped, hiked, fished and played along Wilson Creek, and this designation will ensure that they will continue to enjoy all that the area has to offer for years to come.

I would also like to say a few words about the history of this legislation and the impressive effort that has led us to this important point. It is not enough to say that this measure was a bipartisan effort. This law is the result of a cooperative effort spearheaded by the Caldwell County Commissioners, in which every interested party had a voice. Working with the Forest Service, the Avery County Commissioners, the Caldwell County Chamber of Commerce, the Caldwell County Economic Development Commission, local landowners and the local community, the Commissioners helped develop this important plan to protect permanently Wilson Creek. That this legislation has had such strong local support is a testament to the hard work put forward by all of these groups and individuals. The collaborative effort to craft and pass this legislation will serve as a model for other communities that may have similar projects. They are to be commended for their efforts. I would also like to thank other local officials, citizens, the Forest Service, and every-

one else who dedicated so much time, effort, and heart to get us to this point.

Many portions along Wilson Creek exist much as they did more than 100 years ago, and I believe we must do all we can to preserve them. We have a rare opportunity to protect a critically important waterway for future generations, and I am so pleased to see it become law.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

DEVILS LAKE OUTLET

• Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, I have spoken many times about the need for an emergency outlet for Devils Lake. An article from the Fargo Forum reaffirms the need to act expeditiously to build an emergency outlet for Devils Lake before a catastrophic natural spill occurs.

Mr. President, I ask that the article be printed in the RECORD.

[From the Fargo Forum, Aug. 22, 2000]

USGS ADDS EVIDENCE FOR OUTLET

A little-noticed report from the U.S. Geological Survey adds more to the vast body of evidence that the Devils Lake, N.D., area is in a wet cycle and will remain in a wet cycle for some time to come.

And that means Devils Lake, which rose 25 feet from February 1993 to August 1999, likely will continue to rise. The lake's elevation today is about 1446.3 feet, or slightly down